

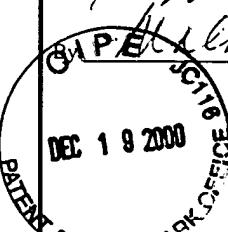
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

SHAYESTEH et al.

Application No.: 08/905,508

Filed: August 4, 1997

For: **GENETIC ALTERATIONS  
ASSOCIATED WITH CANCER**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated June 16, 2000, for three months from September 16, 2000, to December 16, 2000. An appropriate response to the Office Action in the form of an Amendment is enclosed herewith.

Please charge the fee of \$890.00 to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the above deposit account. This petition is submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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